

PART – II

(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)

State Serial No. of proposal FP/TN/ROAD/21074/2016

7.	Location of the project/ Scheme:	
(i)	State / Union Territory	Tamilnadu
(ii)	District	Salem
(iii)	Forest Division	Salem
(iv)	Area of forest land proposed for diversion (in hectares)	4.2 ha.
(v)	Legal status of forest	Reserve Forest (Palamalai Reserved Forests.)
(vi)	Density of vegetation	Less than 0.4
(vii)	Species – wise (Scientific names) and diameter class-wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed. In case of irrigation/ hydel projects enumeration at FRL, FRL-2 meter & FRL-4 meter also be enclosed)	Tree felling are involved and the details are enclosed. Total Number of trees to be felled is 940 (including branch cutting of trees)
(viii)	Brief note of vulnerability of the forest area to erosion	The area is a hillock covered with thorny bushes and naturally grown vegetation. Hence, the area is not vulnerable for soil erosion due to this road project.
(ix)	Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest	The road starts from the forest boundary on the western side of Palamalai Reserved Forests foothills and ends in the Reserved Forests boundary abutting the patta lands of Kemmampatti village at hill-top.
(x)	Whether forms part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor, etc. (If so, the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed)	No.

	(xi) Whether any rare/ endangered/ unique species of flora and fauna found in the area – if so details there-of.	Nil.
	(xii) Whether any protected archaeological/ heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details there-of with NOC from competent authority, if required.	Nil.
8.	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col.2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project?. If so, recommended area item-wise with details of alternatives examined.	Yes. Since the Kemmampatti village is located inside the Palamalai Reserved Forests in the top of hill as an enclosure surrounded by Reserved Forests in all sides. So there is no other alternate route is possible except the proposed route through the Forest land of Palamalai Reserved Forests.
9.	Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No). If yes, details of the same including period of work done, action taken on erring officials. Whether work in violation is still in progress.	Nil.
10.	Details of compensatory afforestation scheme:	
	(i) Details of non-forest area/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, size of each patch.	Identified to an extent of 8.40 ha. in SF.No.72/1 of Kurichi village in Valapadi Taluk of Salem district. The area identified is a part in the above said SF.No.72/1 which is adjacent to the Kurichi Reserved Forests in Valappady Range of Salem District.

	(ii) Map showing non-forest/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries.	Yes. Copy enclosed.
	(iii) Detailed Compensatory Afforestation scheme including species to be planted, implementing agency, time schedule, cost structure etc.	Detailed Compensatory Afforestation plan is Enclosed.
	(iv) Total financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme.	Rs.84.02 lakhs.
	(v) Certificates from competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view (to be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)	Yes. Enclosed.
11.	Site inspection report of the Deputy Conservator of Forests (to be enclosed especially highlighting facts asked in col.7 (xi, xii), 8 and 9 above.	Yes. Enclosed.
12.	Division/ District profile:	
	(i) Geographical area of the district	5,245 Sq.km
	(ii) Forest area of the district	1,241.51 Sq.km
	(iii) Total forest area diverted since 1980 with number of cases	353.13 ha (24 cases)
	(iv) Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the district/division since 1980 on.-	
	(a) forest land including penal compensatory afforestation	424.29
	(b) non- forest land	68.06
	(v) Progress of compensatory afforestation as on (dated) 31.03.2018. on	
	(a) forest land	424.29
	(b) Non- forest land	68.06

13	<p>Specific recommendations of the Deputy Conservator of Forests for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons.</p>	<p>In order to provide better communication facility to the Kemmampatti Tribal village which comes under the tribal hill area of the Salem District is an essential lifeline for the lively hood of Tribals. The road from Kannamoochi Privu (Which is located at the foot hills of the Palamalai Reserved Forests) to Kemmampatti village (Which is located at the hill-top of the Palamalai Reserved Forests).</p> <p>A right of way to a width of 6 feet (1.8m) to a length of 2 miles (3.2 km) was admitted under Section 16 notification of the Palamalai Reserved Forests under admitted right of way No 15 (i.e. Ramampatty to Kannamuchi). But the admitted right of way cannot be improved as black top road as same does not have permissible gradient to be developed as a road.</p> <p>Hence, a new alignment has been proposed following the admissible gradient to a length of 8.00 km. The formation of road will provide better communication facilities to the tribal hamlet's which are located unconnected at present and the people who live in the area are poor tribals of Malayali community for</p>
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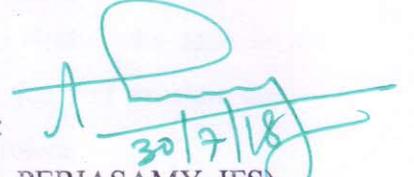
many centuries. They certainly gets benefit of primary education to their children, primary health for the tribal men, marketing facilities for their agricultural produces, employment opportunities by access to the plain areas which will in turn improve the socio-economic status of the poor tribal communities.

Considering all the above facts, I hereby recommend for diversion of an area 4.20 ha. in Palamalai Reserved Forests for the purpose of laying black top road which will be a permanent lifeline for the whole of Palamalai tribal villages.

Place: Salem

Date: 30.07.2018

Signature:



Name: (A. PERIASAMY, IES)

Official Seal:

